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**DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.9(F) AND 1.27(B)**

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SOLE INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

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I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled

"Mechanism and Business Method for Implementing a Service Contract Futures Exchange"
described in the specification filed herewith

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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, design or discovery entitled:

MECHANISM AND BUSINESS METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING A SERVICE CONTRACT FUTURES EXCHANGE

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

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